

providing a second template for entering second data related to medication information;

storing said first data and said second data;

mapping said stored first data and said stored second data to associate said first data and said second data with predetermined locations of said report; and

generating said report by correlating said associated first data and second data,

wherein said emergency contact information, said medical history information, said personal information and said medication information are associated with a respective emergency contact information section, personal information section, medical history information section and a medication information section of said report and said report is a printed record.

A2 12. (Amended) ~~The method of claim 1 wherein the report is a one-sided sheet.~~

Please cancel claims 14-25.

Please add new claim 26.

A2 Sub C3 26. (New) The method of claim 5 wherein said graphical illustration is a graphical symbol of a size and shape of said medication.

REMARKS

The Office Action dated November 20, 2002 has been carefully considered.

Claims 1 and 12 have been amended. Claims 14-25 drawn to an unelected invention have been cancelled. Applicant respectfully reserves the right to file the cancelled claims in a divisional application. Claim 26 has been added. Claims 1-13 and 26 are in this application.

Claims 1-13 were rejected as indefinite in that the terms "said critical information" lacks antecedent basis. Claims 1 and 12 have been amended to obviate the Examiner's rejection. No new matter has been entered.

The previously-presented claims were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102 as anticipated by Goetz et al. Applicant submits that the teachings of this reference do not disclose or suggest the invention defined by the present claims.

Goetz et al. describe a medication management system in which the system includes a data transfer interface for combining information from a retrievable patient database, a retrievable physician database and a pharmacist computer. The patient component is a microprocessor that is sized to be carried on the person.

In contrast to the invention defined by the present claims, Goetz et al. do not disclose a method or system for generating a report correlating data of emergency contact information, medical history information, personal information and medication information in which the report is a printed record. The present invention has the advantage that it is immediately readable by the human eye and can be readily carried on the person. In contrast, Goetz et al. use a portable computer device for accessing the information such that the information is not always readily accessible, but is only accessible upon using the device. Thus, Goetz et al. has the disadvantage of needing a device to read the information which does not allow immediate access to key information. Rather, emergency personnel must scroll through the device to find information, see Figs. 26-30. This method has the disadvantage of wasting valuable time in an emergency situation. The present invention presents all information at the same time to provide an immediate and clear picture of a patient's medical history.

Furthermore, Goetz et al. rely heavily on patient interaction to successfully use the device. Accordingly, the patient needs to be somewhat computer literate to scroll and set and re-set alarms in order for his device to be helpful. However, many elderly and ill persons have the disadvantage of not being able to successfully manage this type of device. In the present invention after the data is entered into the template, which can be performed by a pharmacist or trained technician, no further interaction is required for it to be useful. The present invention is elderly, ill and computer-illiterate friendly.

With regard to claim 9, Goetz et al. do not teach or suggest generating a pill box map. As described on page 8, lines 9-11 of the present application, the pill box map of the present invention can be used for placement of medication in a pill box. With regard to claim 11, Goetz et al. do not teach or suggest generating a travel medication planner report to associate medication with the length of stay of a travel itinerary. With regard to new claim 26, Goetz et al. do not teach or suggest that a graphical illustration is a

graphical symbol illustrating a size and shape of a medication. The dependent claims are also allowable for the same reasons that claim 1 is allowable.

In view of the foregoing, Applicant submits that all pending claims are in condition for allowance and requests that all claims be allowed. The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned should he believe that this would expedite prosecution of this application. It is believed that no fee is required. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any deficiency or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 13-2165.

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VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES

1. (Amended) A method for generating a report of medical and personal emergency information that is immediately readable with the human eye and adapted to be carried on a person comprising the steps of:

providing a first template for entering first data related to emergency contact information, medical history information and personal information;

providing a second template for entering second data related to medication information;

storing said first data and said second data;

mapping said stored first data and said stored second data to associate said first data and said second data with predetermined locations of said report; and

generating said report by correlating said associated first data and second data,

wherein[said critical personal information,] said emergency contact information, [and] said medical history information, said personal information and said medication information are associated with a respective emergency contact information section, personal information section, medical history information section and a medication information section of said report and said report is a printed record.

12. (Amended) The method of claim 1 wherein the report is a[one-page,] one-sided sheet.